

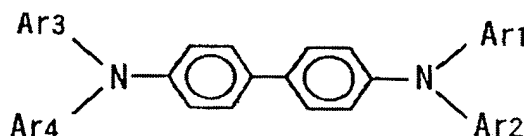
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A write once optical recording medium comprising:
a recording layer on a supporting body, and
a light transmitting protective layer ~~formed successively on a supporting body~~, said recording layer, for recording and reproduction by irradiating a laser beam of a 380 to 450 nm wavelength from the
wherein
said light transmitting protective layer side, transmits a laser beam of a 380 to 450 nm wavelength,
said laser beam records and reproduces signals in said recording layer,
characterized in that $\lambda_{\max} \leq 370$ nm on the premise that the
said wavelength providing the peak optical absorption coefficient of the said recording
layer is defined to be λ_{\max} and
said λ_{\max} is less than or equal to 370 nm.

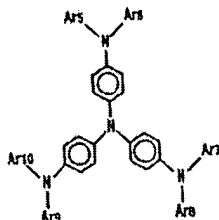
2. (Currently amended) The write once optical recording medium according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said recording layer contains a compound represented by the below-mentioned [chemical formula 10]:
[Chemical Formula 10]



[[()]]wherein each of Ar₁, Ar₂, Ar₃, Ar₄ are a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl group, that may be the same or different.[][]]

3. (Currently amended)) The write once optical recording medium according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said recording layer contains a compound represented by the below-mentioned [chemical formula 11]:

[Chemical Formula 11]



[[()]]wherein each of Ar₅, Ar₆, Ar₇, Ar₈, Ar₉, Ar₁₀ are a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl group, that may be same or different.[][]]

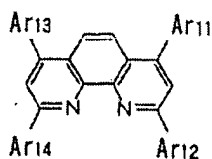
4. (Currently amended)) The write once optical recording medium according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said recording layer contains C_n.

[[()]]wherein, n is an integer of 60 or more capable of obtaining a geometrically spherical compound[[]]].

5. (Currently amended) The write once optical recording medium according to claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein n of said C_n is 60.

6. (Currently amended) The write once optical recording medium according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said recording layer contains a compound represented by the below-mentioned [Chemical Formula 12]:

[Chemical Formula 12]



[[☐]]wherein each of Ar₁₁, Ar₁₂, Ar₁₃, Ar₁₄ are a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl group, that may be the same or different. [[☐]]